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Corps Orders by Lieut.-Col. A.
Chapman, V.D.

JOINED.

Private M. J. Henderson joined the
Corps on 24.3.16. Is allotted Corps No.
12843 and is posted to Scouts' Company
(N.S. Section).

LEAVE.

Sergeant C. A. M. Smith is granted leave
of absence from 1.4.16 to 10.6.16.

Pte. M. M. Mass is granted leave of
absence from 30.3.16 to 20.4.16.

Pte. R. E. Sedgwick is granted leave
of absence from 25.3.16 to 10.4.16.

PARADES.

Parades for Saturday, 25th instant—
7.30 a.m.—Members of Signalling Section
and other Signallers, as detailed in
Signalling Section order dated 8.12.15—
Morse flag and Heliograph practice at
Headquarters.

2.30 p.m.—Musketry (Part II. only)
at King's Park Range, as detailed in
Corps Order No. 1 dated 22.3.16. Private
E. Newhouse (Left Section M.G. Co.)
will not attend.

Parades next week—On the same days
as this week.

RECRUITS SECTION.

Full charge practice on Sunday, 26th
inst. Parade at Kitchener at 9 a.m. sharp.
Uniform—khaki drill tunic and shorts,
puttees, coat and cap.

DETAILS.

On duty until morning of 31st instant:
H.K.V.R.

NEXT DUTY.

March 31st, Civil Service Company:
April 1st, No. 1 Sec. Arty. Batty.; April
2nd, Left Section M.G. Co.; April 3rd,
Right Section M.G. Co.; April 4th, No. 2
Sec. Arty. Batty.; April 5th, Scouts Com-
pany; April 6th, Scouts Company; April
14th, Scouts Company; April 15th, Scouts
Company; April 16th, Centre Section
M.G. Co.; April 17th, Civil Service Com-
pany; April 18th, No. 1 Sec. Arty. Batty.;
April 19th, Left Section M.G. Co.; April
20th, Right Section M.G. Co.
Orderly Officer from 31st March to 7th
April: Lieut. Kennell.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVES.

Major Wakeman, Commanding H.K.V.R.

DETAILS.

On duty till the morning of Friday,
the 31st instant: "B" Co.
Orderly Officer for the same period:
Lieut. C. W. Deswick.

FIELD FIRING.

Field firing will be carried out by mem-
bers of "A" Co. on Sunday, the 26th
inst. Hongkong residents will parade on
the Cricket Ground at 8.45 a.m. and
Kowloon residents at the Wharf, Old
Kowloon City, at 9.30 a.m. Dress: drill
order. Puttees to be worn. Food to be
carried in haversacks and waterbottles to
be filled. Great-coats optional. All
members, including exempted members
but excluding recruits who have not fired
Part I. and II. Musketry Course for
recruits, must attend. Five signallers
as detailed by Sergt. Mitchellmore will
also attend.

NOTICES.

The following recruits and also those
members of "D" Co. who fired Part I.
on Wednesday, the 22nd inst., will attend
at King's Park Range on Sunday, the
26th inst., at 9.15 a.m.—Ptes. T. Ohi-
punch, A. Stevenson, P. Glendinning,
D. S. Gubbey, J. R. Capell, J. J. Judah,
R. E. Dillion, H. N. Beaupre, J. O'Shea,
J. Carr, G. Ireland, C. B. P.
Hay, O. T. M. Edkins and H. H. Taylor.

PARADES FOR THE WEEK ENDING

1ST APRIL.

Recruits on the Cricket Ground on
Tuesday, the 29th inst., Wednesday, the
30th inst., and Thursday, the 31st inst.,
at 5.15 p.m., under Drill Instructor Sergt.
Oxberry. Dress: drill order.

Signalling Section at Volunteer Head-
quarters on Wednesday, the 29th inst.,
and Friday, the 31st inst., at 5.15 p.m.
Uniform to be worn.

"A" Co. on Tuesday, the 29th inst.,
at 5.15 p.m. on the road outside the Law
Courts. Dress: drill order.

"B" Co. on Friday, the 31st inst.,
Kowloon Dock and Tai Koo Sections on
the Polo Ground at 5.30 p.m.; remainder
on the road outside the Law Courts at
5.15 p.m.

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The Company's Steamship "TAISHAN"

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will return from Macao at 3 P.M.

N.B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at

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INTIMATIONS

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE 31st ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, 2nd Floor, 11th Street, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 25th March, 1916, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Manager for the year ending 31st December, 1915, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE COMPANY will be CLOSED on MONDAY, the 27th March to SATURDAY, the 25th March, 1916, both days inclusive.

SHAWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, March 13, 1916. 423

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED will be held at St. George's Buildings, 11th Street, Victoria, on the 25th day of March, 1916, at 11.45 o'clock in the forenoon when the Subscribed Extraordinary Resolutions will be presented.

That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in the following manner:-

(a) That after the word "Company" in the 16th line of Article 110 the following words shall be added:-

"The General Managers may also with the consent of the Consulting Committee pay such bonus or bonuses as the General Managers shall think fit."

(b) That the words "Bonus or Bonuses" shall be inserted immediately after the word "Dividend" in the 18th line of Article 110.

(c) That the words "and bonuses" shall be inserted immediately after the word "Dividend" in the 19th line of Article 110.

Should the above Resolution be passed by the requisite majority, it will be submitted for confirmation to a Special Resolution at a further Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Dated this 11th day of March, 1916.

SHAWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the General Managers at 11.30 a.m. on TUESDAY, 28th instant, to receive a Statement of the Company's Accounts for 31st December, 1915, and the report of the General Managers.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE COMPANY will be CLOSED from the 14th to 18th instant both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.
General Managers.

Hongkong, March 8, 1916. 409

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the General Managers at 11.30 a.m. on TUESDAY, the 28th instant, to receive a Statement of the Company's Accounts for 31st December, 1915, and the report of the General Managers.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE COMPANY will be CLOSED from the 14th to 18th instant both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.
General Managers.

Hongkong, March 2, 1916. 190

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Office of the General Agents, Pedder Street, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 24th March, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1915.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE COMPANY will be CLOSED from the 14th to 18th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.
General Agents.

Hongkong, March 2, 1916. 185

LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Office of the General Agents, Pedder Street, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 24th March, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1915.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE COMPANY will be CLOSED from the 14th to 18th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.
General Agents.

Hongkong, March 13, 1916. 479

THE HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, 2nd Floor, 11th Street, Victoria, on MONDAY, the 27th April, 1916, at 12 Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1915.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE COMPANY will be CLOSED from the 27th March, to the 3rd April, 1916, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors
R. M. DYER,
General Manager.

Hongkong, March 21, 1916. 462

INTIMATIONS

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND OF FIVE DOLLARS per Share has been declared and will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on or after MONDAY the 27th instant.

The REGISTER of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY 24th to MONDAY 27th both days inclusive, during which days no Transfer of Shares can be made.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS will be ready on MONDAY the 27th instant and may be obtained on application.

DOUGLAS LAFRAIE & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, March 20, 1916. 45

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE THIRTIETH YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the HONGKONG CLUB will be held in the Club House, on MONDAY, the 27th March, 1916, at 5.30 P.M.

By Order,
E. DES VUEUX,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 10, 1916. 418

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-NINTH HALF YEARLY DRAWING of 45 Debentures (1899 issue) of the HONGKONG CLUB, PAYABLE on FRIDAY, the 31st March, will be held in the Club House at 11 o'clock a.m. on FRIDAY, the 24th March, 1916.

Debtors of Debentures are invited to attend the Drawing.

By Order,
E. DES VUEUX,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 14, 1916. 414

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

A COMPETITION will be held over the 18 HOLE COURSE commencing on 1st April for a prize kindly presented by H. E. the Governor.

CONSTITUTION: Match play on 18 holes, limited to handicaps of 12 and over.

Entrance fee 50 cents per round, the proceeds to go to the War Charities Committee.

Intending competitors are requested to sign their names on the board at Happy Valley or Fan Ling or to send same in writing to the Undersecretary, Messrs. Barclay & Co., Ltd. not later than the 5th instant.

T. W. HILL,
Acting Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, March 14, 1916. 430

DEEP WATER BAY COURSE.

A MIXED FOUR-SOMES COMPETITION will be held on SATURDAY and SUNDAY, 25th and 26th April.

CONSTITUTION: 27 holes against Bogeys under handicap.

The heavy score and table of holes at which strokes are to be fixed later.

Entrance fee \$2.00 per couple. Competitors must arrange their own partners and opponents and are requested to send their names to the undersigned, or to post same on the boards at Happy Valley, Fan Ling or the Hongkong Club before the 5th April.

T. W. HILL,
Acting Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, March 22, 1916. 458

UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG.

MATRICULATION, SENIOR AND JUNIOR EXAMINATIONS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the MATRICULATION, SENIOR AND JUNIOR LOCAL EXAMINATIONS will be held on the following dates:

JULY 10th-15th, 1916.

Arrangements will be made to hold the Examinations at any other place where a sufficient number of candidates offer themselves.

Candidates must send in their entries, with the fee, to the Registrar, University of Hongkong, not later than May 2nd, 1916.

Forms of Entry may be obtained from the Registrar, to whom a quittance should be addressed.

The following Scholarships will be awarded on the result of the Matriculation Examinations, provided that there are candidates of sufficient merit:-

Two King Edward VII Scholarships of £40 a year each, for five years, tenable only by British subjects who must be under the age of 21 on the 10th July, 1916.

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One President's Scholarship of \$100 (being £20) a year, for five years, tenable by students of Chinese nationality who must be under the age of 21 on the 10th July, 1916. A candidate who wishes to compete must deliver to the Registrar on or before the first day of the Examination, a certificate of eligibility, as required by the Regulations.

Five prizes of \$100 each will be awarded to the successful candidates who obtain the highest marks. The winners of the prizes may enter any Faculty but must join the University on September 11th, 1916.

Holders of Scholarships and winners of prizes must reside in one of the Hostels directly managed by the University.

Hongkong, March 22, 1916. 457

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COMMERCIAL.

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Vernon and Smyth in their weekly share report, dated 23rd March, state:-

The local share market continues active, and prices with few exceptions are well maintained. Rubbers remain at about the same level as last quoted, and are not at present attracting much attention.

Plantation Rubber is quoted in London at 1/6 1/2, and Standard Tin at 2/10 1/2, business done. 1st Silver has advanced to 2/3 1/2, and Sterling T.T. to 1/11 1/2. The T.T. rate on Shanghai is now quoted at 72 1/2, and the Bank's buying rate for 3d's bills on that port at 73.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai's are a quiet market with a few shares obtainable at \$700.

Mutual Insurances.—Unions have advanced to a buying quotation of \$1000 with a small sale reported at \$1.08. Cantoners are in request at \$425, but sellers are not at present in evidence, and no sales are reported. North China are unchanged at a nominal quotation of 1/8, 1/8, and 1/8, and Yangtze in demand in the North at the enhanced quotation of \$300 at Ex. 73.

Fire Insurances.—Chinas, following the improvement in Unions, have advanced to a buying quotation of \$167 with business done. Hongkongers have been booked at \$120, and close firm at this rate.

Shipping.—Douglases on the announcement of an interim dividend of \$5 per share, advanced to \$134, at which rate business has been booked, the market closing with probable sellers for settlement account.

Indos have ruled firm, and close with sales and buyers at \$147 for the Preferred, and \$131 1/2 for the Deferred. Steamboats have advanced rapidly, and can now be placed at \$34. Star Ferries continue in request at \$394, with no shares obtainable at the moment.

Oils.—Shells have been booked at 98 1/2 and 98 1/2, and more shares are required for at the former rate. Ural Caspian are on offer at 25 1/2, and Langkat in demand in the North at 37 1/2.

Refineries.—China Sugars have steadily advanced to a buying quotation of \$140 with intermediate sales at \$142 to \$144, and could probably now be placed at \$145. Luzons are quiet at the nominal quotation of \$43.

Mining.—Kallans have had a sharp rise and been placed at \$59, now closing with buyers at 35 1/2, with no shares on offer.

Tonkots are easier, with shares on offer at 36 1/2 after sales at 39 1/2 and 40 1/2. Rasins remain a dull market, with a nominal quotation of \$3.25.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have been an active stock, and business has been transacted at \$123 for the old issue and \$118 for the new—there being also a good demand for forward shares at equivalent rates. Kowloon Wharves have been placed at \$74, and now close with more shares wanted at the rate. Shanghai Docks have been the medium of business at the improved rate of 1/8 1/2 and more shares are required for Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves close with a nominal quotation of 1/8 1/2.

Land, Hotels and Buildings.—Central Estates remain a quiet market with shares on offer at \$90. Hongkong Land is unchanged with sellers at \$104 and Hongkong Hotels are quiet with a nominal quotation of \$118 1/2. Humphreys Estates have been dealt in at prices varying between \$6.65 and \$6.80, and at the latter rate they close in demand. Kowloon and West Point have been placed at \$32.

Colon Mills.—In the North, Ewees are wanted at 1/8 1/2, Kung Yik at 1/8 1/2, and Shanghai Cotton at 1/8 1/2. Yangtze are quiet with a nominal quotation of 1/8 1/2.

Machineries.—China Providents have been sold at \$5.50. Centinets at various rates between \$10.20 and \$10.80. Boreas at \$39 and Watsons at \$7.10. Dairy Farms are wanted at \$32. Electric at \$45. Trams at \$5.90. Peak Tram (old) at \$10 new issue at 35 cents and Poyells at \$24.

The following have a nominal quotation:—China Sugars \$104, China Light and Power \$1.59, Lee \$1.25, Waterbury \$1.25 and Steam Laundry \$3.10. At the close there are sellers of

Cement at \$10.50 with probable buyers at \$10.40.

Notes.—Hongkong Fire Insurance Co. Ltd., ordinary yearly meeting on the 28th instant. Hongkong Rope Manufg. Co. Ltd., ordinary yearly meeting on the 28th instant. Hongkong Ice Co. Ltd., ordinary yearly meeting on the 28th instant. China Sugar Refining Co. Ltd., ordinary yearly meeting on the 28th instant. Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd., ordinary yearly meeting on the 28th instant. Douglas Steamship Co. Ltd., interim dividend of \$5 per share payable on the 27th instant.

Next Settling day—March 29th.

YARN MARKET.

Messrs. S. D. Sethna & Co.'s circular states:-

Corroon.—There is nothing fresh to report in the market. Sales are reported of about 370 Packages at \$28 to \$28 1/2 per piece. Unsold stock is estimated at about 1,000 bales. Closing quotations—\$28 to \$30 per piece.

INDIAN YARN.—The continuance of the embarrassing political situation which has developed to considerable dimensions in the interior, still has the effect of the localisation in the market, and unless the situation is improved, no brisk demand could be expected from the consuming districts. Sales reported.

About 1,500 Bales, comprising of about 50 bales of No. 6s, 1,000 bales of No. 10s, 400 bales of No. 12s and 470 bales of No. 20s. Unsold stock is estimated at about 48,000 bales. Sold but unsold stock is computed at about 15,000 bales.

Messrs. Folliswells & Kowall, cotton and yarn brokers in their report dated March 23rd state:-

Having the sales of a few parcels recorded at the start of the fortnight, there has hardly been any feature of the market, which has ruled quiet and devoid of animation. The unrest over the monetary movement still continues to embarrass dealers, who view the situation with great concern, and it would be difficult to hope for a substantially rally in demand until reports of a reassuring character are forthcoming. Meanwhile Shanghai has been marked by a robust demand enabling importers to dictate their own terms, and it is reported that quite a brisk business has been negotiated at an advance of 2 to 3 bales. The Hongkong importers have not been slow to seize the opportunity and about 2,000 bales are said to have made for Shanghai.

Total sales 2,500 bales. Stocks.—Unsold and undelivered in the godowns 58,000 bales.

Arrivals.—The Mail str. Malis and extra steamer Bombay Morn and Kutang from Bombay and Calcutta have brought in 5,000 bales for Hongkong, and 5,500 bales for Shanghai. Shipments from Hongkong to Shanghai, coast ports, etc., 9,000 bales.

Japanese Yarn.—There has again been very little in the way of business, it being impossible to connect the local market with the local rates. Sales are as follows:—400 bales Yellow Joe, No. 20, at \$137 to \$138; 200 bales Setai, No. 20, at \$147 to \$148; 200 bales Nigassaki mill, No. 20, at \$147.

Raw Cotton.—Beagal, on stock. Chinese no sales.

Quotations.—Beagal, at \$22 to \$27. Chinese at \$30 to \$35 per picul.

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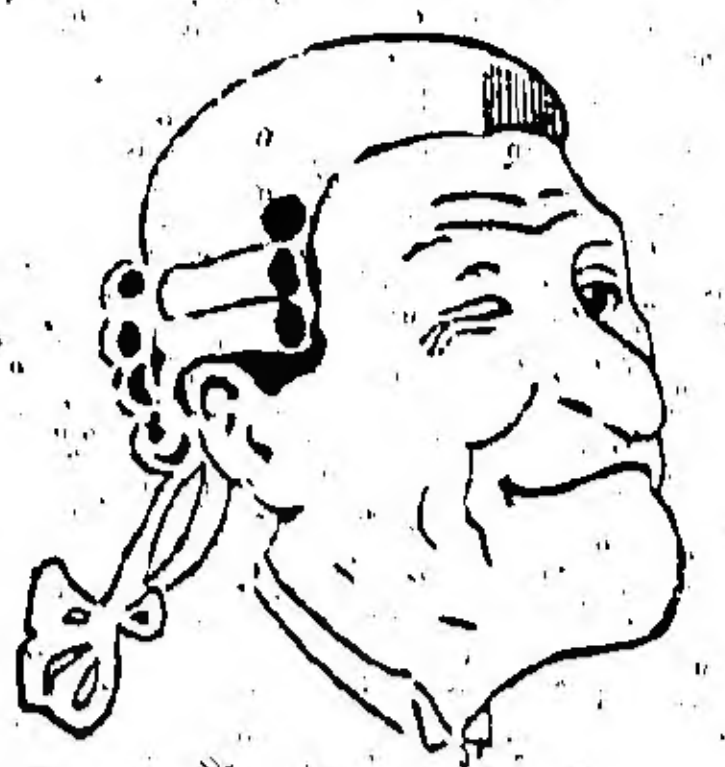
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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

10.45 a.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

11.30 a.m.—Hongkong Rope Co's Meeting.

11.45 a.m.—Hongkong Rope Co's Extraordinary Meeting.

4.30 p.m.—Tennis Championship, Cooper Hunt v. Yvanovich.

8 p.m.—Volunteer Sergeant's Mess Dinner at Hongkong Hotel.

General Memoranda.

SUNDAY, March 26—

9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao by S.S. "Taihan."

MONDAY, March 27—

11 a.m.—Auction of Furniture, Fittings, etc., at the German Club Premises.

Hongkong Tennis Championship—Nisbet v. Crook.

5.30 p.m.—Hongkong Club General Meeting.

TUESDAY, March 28—

11.30 a.m.—Hongkong Ice Co's Meeting.

Noon.—H.K. Fire Insurance Co's Meeting.

4 p.m.—Annual Meeting of the H.K. Gen. Chamber of Commerce.

WEDNESDAY, March 29—

Hongkong Stock Exchange Settlement Day.

11.30 a.m.—China Sugar Refining Co's Meeting.

THURSDAY, March 30—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture at "Hartley," No. 7 Robinson Path.

3.30 & 4 p.m.—Annual and Extraordinary Meetings of Exporters and Dealers of Hongkong.

FRIDAY, March 31—

Prince Henry's birthday (1900).

11.30 a.m.—Luzon Sugar Refining Co's Meeting.

11.35 a.m.—Luzon Sugar Refining Co's Extraordinary Meeting.

SATURDAY, April 1—

Golf Competition at Fan Ling for H.E. the Governor's Prize.

MONDAY, April 3—

Noon.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co's Meeting.

8.15 & 8.30, April 3—

Mixed Fourpins Competition at Deep Water Bay.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The rate of exchange is up to-day to 2s. 0½d. on demand.

The Lusitano Recreation Club Annual Athletic Sports are to take place on Easter Monday, April 24th, at the Race Course.

The death is announced in Japan of Mr. John Lawrence, for over ten years Professor of English Literature at the Imperial University, Tokyo.

A small fire which occurred among a store of firewood broke out in the Ma Kin Lum village Sai-kung yesterday. The villagers put out the blaze. The damage is put at \$50.

Asked if he would care to enter for a freemen's mess on a steamer, name unknown, plying between Hongkong and New York, a Chinese named Wong Sing Wah, an unemployed freeman, living at 123 Wing Lok Street handed over to two men \$100 as a guarantee and \$100 with which to buy provisions. Two men who interviewed him took the money and have not been seen since. There is an old adage that a fool and his money are soon parted.

Two coolies have been sent by the Police to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from injuries to the eyes and face caused by corrosive fluid. They live at Belcher's street and the fluid was thrown by an unknown person on one of the upper verandahs. Enquiries showed there had been a row between some men and a girl during which a person who has not yet been identified, threw a corrosive fluid. The man and the girl were only slightly injured and declined to go to Hospital.

The second of two concerts organised by the Catholic Women's League to augment the funds for War Charities, took place at St. Patrick's Hall last night. There was unfortunately only a small attendance. The programme which was thoroughly enjoyed was contributed to by Mrs. Hyndman, Mrs. F. N. Ribber, Mrs. E. Darnall, Prof. E. Dannenberg, Misses Bertha and Esther Xavier, Mr. E. G. Aquilino and the Soledade Philharmonia under the direction of Prof. Gonzalez.

A series of eight lectures to be given at the Roman Catholic Cathedral next week by the Rev. Fr. John J. Thompson, S. J. of Vigan, Philippines Islands. The programme is as follows:—Sunday March 26th "The Call to Arms"; Monday "Deserting the Flag"; Tuesday "The Great Avenger"; Wednesday "The Great Martyr"; Thursday "The Sentence"; Friday "The King's Clemency"; Saturday, April 1st (Confessions); Sunday, "The Oath of Allegiance." The lectures commence each evening at 8 o'clock.

The Overseas Club have undertaken to maintain a special ward of 20 beds, to be called The Overseas Ward, in Netley Hospital for the duration of the war, and the Hongkong branch of the Club, of which there are about 70 members, has been asked to guarantee the upkeep of one or more of these beds. With this object in view an entertainment will be given at the Victoria Theatre on Thursday next, the 30th inst. Mr. Melbourne, who are to be, has promised a special entertainment free to the Club which, with new pictures, and the Police Reserve Orchestra, should draw a full house. Seats can now be booked at Anderson's Music Store.

It is mentioned in the "M. C. Daily News" that the girl links at Taiqua, which have been closed since the beginning of the war, have been reopened. At a meeting which took place at the Grand Hotel a short time back a committee was appointed consisting of the following:—Mr. R. H. Eckford, H. M. Connell, and Messrs. Armitage, Macfarlane, Courtney and J. Thompson. A new green has been added to the old course and the links—slips holes—should add greatly to the attractions of Taiqua as a holiday resort. It is of interest also, adds our contemporary correspondent, to note that the sum of £800 has been subscribed to the British Graves Fund. It is proposed to close the fund when the total reaches £1,000, at that sum will be sufficient to keep the graves in order for many years to come.

THE HONGKONG UNIVERSITY.

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A well-known Chinese named Gao Wo of 11, New Market street, described as a prospector and mining proprietor, with interests in America, an M.D. of Illinois University, and a man possessing a very fair amount of this world's goods, was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistrate's court of conspiring to defraud John Peter Summerville, the Chief Officer of S.S. Tai Shan, of \$1,480.

Mr. R. C. Faithful presented on behalf of the complainant and Mr. G. F. Mason of the firm of D'Almeida and Mason defended. Defendant had been released on a bail of \$1,500 and stood before the dock during the investigation of the case.

The story for the prosecution as outlined by the complainant, a master mariner, was that early in 1914 he was the master of the S.S. *Shui Lee*, running between Hongkong and Kowloon. He was appointed on April 9th, the same month as when the S.S. *Tai On* was piloted. Between that date and July 1914, he frequently did a passenger with the name of George F. (err) gave him to understand that he was the mining engineer for the Canton Province Mining Company. Witness had had several conversations with him about the good prospects of the mine and he led him to believe that the local office of the company was at 33 Queen's Road Central. Defendant and Finfer and defendant's agent travelled on the *Shui Lee* on July 10th and 11th from Kowloon to Hongkong as saloon passengers.

Mr. Faithful:—What induced you to put with that money?

Witness said he paid \$350 on July 7th, 1914, as the first instalment, to George Finfer for 2000 shares in the mine, the face value being \$1 each. He paid the money over on the ship and did not think any body was present. He did not have a receipt. The second instalment was \$350 which was also paid to Finfer on July 9th or the day after at 6 p.m. When leaving Kowloon for Hongkong defendant and Finfer came aboard as saloon passengers. That was the first time he met the defendant, and on the voyage, the defendant showed him some photographs of a mine. Defendant also showed him some quartz taken from this gold mine.

Mr. Mason:—I shall call expert evidence to prove that it is a good mine.

The Magistrate:—Did he tell you the name of the mine?

Witness answered that he heard the name; it was something like "Sun Kai Sai."

Mr. Mason:—I believe it is the local name for "gold chicken water."

Witness went on to say that on that trip on the 10th Finfer spoke of nothing but the mine and how rich it was. He said he was going to America to get three or four or five hundred tons of machinery and also \$10,000 or \$20,000 gold and that he would take back his (witness's) shares inside six months at \$1 a piece. Witness with tears in his eyes said he paid Finfer a further \$800 on July 14th 1914. "I never saw defendant again. I paid that money over to Finfer at the Bank of Canton Savings Bank. I had \$800 remaining; that was all the money I had in the world. I said to him 'Finfer, don't do me because I am an old man, and I have not many more years to go.' Finfer said: 'Captain, I would not do you, you are not like a rich man who could lose a few thousand dollars.' That date is engraved upon my memory and will never come out.

Summerville said Finfer travelled on the ship half a dozen times before he approached witness to buy shares. Witness did not really want the shares but Finfer impressed upon him that it was a "first-class thing" and that he would have a little money back inside six months. The first \$800 was for the price of 2,000 shares, and the remainder of the money was for another 2,000. "Afterwards the ship was laid up," "Looking back I see how foolish I have been," "I did not dream at the time what I was doing. I never saw either one of them again. I began to brood over this. I could not get satisfactory answers to my enquiries and I got sick and had to go into Hospital. I was there for 21 days and the thought of this thing but my health very much. I came out; I had no money and I lived in the Sailors' Home."

Mr. Mason:—We had a sign board until witness took it away.

Witness said he took down the board; he stole it. He went to the local office a hundred times and he saw no one there with whom he could talk.

Mr. Mason, interposing, said the mine was a genuine concern, money was scarce at that time and labour was scarce and money was badly needed, and expenses were very heavy. The speaker said he held the title deeds and a permission from the Chinese authorities to work the mine. The company did not receive \$1,400, but only \$240. That was mentioned in the Company's books. Finfer was authorised to sell at 6 cents gold a share. Defendant had a promissory note for \$300,000 which he had advanced and therefore his bona fides could not be disputed.

Mr. Faithful said he thought there might be an office in America but at the adjourned hearing evidence would be given by a Mr. George Ober which would put a different complexion on the matter. The prosecution said that the money passed into the pockets of these two men and the difference was paid into the Company. In fact, the prosecution could prefer a charge of embezzlement here! Mr. Mason:—I suppose you would rather have had Finfer than defendant here! Complaints:—I don't think I would! Light shock Finfer. The hearing was afterwards adjourned.

THE MAGISTRATE.

AN OPIUM "SPEC."

Two Chinese of 74 Queen's Road East, were remanded by Mr. J. R. Wood this morning on a charge of conspiring to defraud a merchant of 9 Peking Road of \$2,440 on December 7th.

The complainant said he entered into a contract with two men who were not in custody to purchase opium and when he had parted with the money the men ran away. The two defendants were in the room.

Inspector Kent said complainant knew the other two men and stated they were in Hongkong now.

The Magistrate formally adjourned the case until Monday.

YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT AT GENERAL MEETING.

The half-yearly general meeting of the Yokohama Specie Bank was held at the head office in Yokohama on the 19th inst. Mr. Junnosuke Inoue, the President, was in the chair. There was a good attendance of shareholders, the Imperial Household being represented by Mr. Yamaki, the Chief of the Imperial Treasury, while the Government was represented by Mr. Mori, the Head of the Banking Affairs Section in the Department of Finance.

After presenting a report on the working of the Bank during the latter half of last year, and the general economic conditions at home and abroad, the President submitted the Statement of Accounts for the period including the following Profit and Loss Account:

Gross taking..... ¥ 80,897,745 17
Gross disbursements..... 17,300,924 27
Net profit for the period..... 3,338,716 90
This amount is distributed as follows:
Reserves..... 4 0 000 000
Dividend at 12 per cent..... 1,800,000 00
Carried forward to next account..... 1,338,716 90

The Report and Accounts were adopted by the meeting and the Board was requested to remain in office for another term. The President's speech is set out by the *Japan Times* as follows:

The underlying tendency that marked foreign trade for the first half of the year was more than well maintained in the latter half, and resulted in an overwhelmingly large excess in exports. Shipping and other lines of trade, by the way, were prevented great activity, in the end bringing on an extraordinary boom in the stock market. Securities appreciated to a remarkable extent. But promotions did not revive sufficiently, partly because of the doubt existing as to the results of the war causing a certain amount of the inability to import equipment necessary for the production of new businesses. In the country also times were still bad owing to the cheapness of rice.

Accordingly the resources of the money market were very much increased, and therefore, almost no appreciable effect was produced on the general situation, even when the issue of a domestic loan for the purpose of refunding part of the Sterling Railway Certificates was followed by final issues of various accounts and descriptions.

Foreign trade for the latter half of last year resulted in an extraordinarily large balance in favour of exports. Consequently the gold holdings of the Bank of Japan and the Government in the foreign markets rose into an exceedingly large figure, enabling Japan to solve one of the most arduous problems which the country had ever had to face.

With the steady increase in the export trade the Bank's exchange business witnessed a great expansion. Bills on foreign markets handled during the period of 1915 were more than 20,000,000 yen more during the term, while bills on Japan showed an increase of 71,000,000 yen.

Passing on to the general economic conditions overseas it may be remarked that all lines other than those ministering to the armies were temporarily suspended in the belligerent countries, whose war energy was devoted to the turn-over of warlike materials, but still the result of their activities was found to be insufficient to maintain the efficiency of their armies. Accordingly the neutrals were engaged in assisting them by turning their factories into arsenals. In consequence, the payments by belligerent countries to neutrals went on increasing with formidable rapidity and the values of their currency dropped disastrously. Exchange between Japan and France or England, for example, presented an extremely sinister anomaly which had not been met with since Japan got into financial co-operation with the West. Anglo-Japanese cross rates about 34 per cent during the term, while those between Japan and France showed a rise by 13 per cent. Between America and those European countries also a similar anomaly was created and no corrective measures taken could eradicate it.

The position of England and France was so unfavourable that the international monetary market, but their financial strength was little weakened viewed from the standpoint of their internal finances. This fact was well reflected in the extremely good result obtained by their financial authorities in their efforts to maintain the gold holdings of their central banks show a large increase over the pre-war period, too. The hoards of the Bank of England increased to 250,350,000 on November 10th last year from 241,600,000 on July 22, 1914, while those of the Bank of France increased from 419,000,000 francs on July 23, 1914, to 4,734,000,000 francs on November 11 last year.

America is the only supplier of war requisites to the belligerents in Europe and the prolongation of the war is soon to her industrial circles generally. During the term exports show an excess of \$800,000,000 over imports, which brings up the total balance in favour of America since the outbreak of the war to considerably more than \$2,000,000,000. In consequence, gold flowed in rapidly, and in conjunction with the realization of American securities in Wall Street, caused the strength of the American money market to increase greatly. Even the issue of a big loan as the joint loan of England and France could shake it little. Judged from the present trend of the situation America will stand first in the international money market after the war.

In India Japan had a good trade, but not so fortunate were European countries, and the market was slack, though at the close of the present term money was in demand to some extent owing to the briskness of the cotton trade. In China, monetary transactions were restricted on account of the shrinkage in credit and the bad effect of political disturbances.

Manchuria is an annual market at the outset of the term, but toward the close Japan enjoyed a good trade in cotton goods and certain miscellaneous articles.

The Captain of the "Sakigake-maru," which arrived at Moji from Hongkong on the 8th, reported that he proceeded to the spot where the S.S. "Daitani-maru" is believed to have sunk on February 15th and made a careful search for the missing steamer. The Captain of the ill-fated steamer, who was rescued at the time of the disaster, was on board to assist in the search. All the efforts to ascertain the position where the steamer went down proved abortive. A Chinese junk picked up six bodies of the crew of the sunken steamer and the "Sakigake-maru" picked up one, but no trace could be discovered of the steamer. The passengers and crew of the steamer "Sho" were also rescued.

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SPORTING.

HONGKONG TENNIS LEAGUE.

TWO DIVISIONS TO BE FORMED.

Dr. Forsyth presided at the annual meeting of the Hongkong Tennis League held at the Hongkong C.C. Pavilion last evening.

The annual report stated that ten Clubs, participated in the Shield Competition, viz.—Newtown A., Hongkong C.C., University, Olympic, Club de Recreo, Kowloon B., Y.M.C.A. (European), Civil Service, Chinese Recreation and Wykeham—a record number for the Hongkong Tennis League. One Shield was won by Kowloon A., who went through the season without a defeat. Out of the forty-five fixtures, forty-four were played. The accounts show a balance in hand of \$87.66.

The Chairman said that they had had extraordinary luck in the past season, completing the whole of the fixtures, save one, despite much bad weather. Kowloon was to be congratulated on winning the championship, Hongkong C.C. being second. If the latter had been able to avail themselves of the services of their best players regularly they would undoubtedly have won. Their finances were in a flourishing condition. The expenses were very small, and they had a balance in hand of \$87.66, which was really considerably more than they wanted; and he thought they could spare \$40 for the Tobacco Fund. The Chairman added that their Hon. Secretary (Mr. Vireash) had been given an opportunity of going to the front, and was going very soon. That would necessitate the election of a successor.

The report, and accounts were passed unanimously, on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. H. A. Nisbet.

It was resolved to vote \$40 to the Tobacco Fund.

The officers were elected as follows:—President, Dr. Forsyth; Vice-President, Mr. H. A. Nisbet; Hon. Secretary, pro tem, Dr. Lindsay Woods.

The Chairman suggested in a discussion it would be advisable to form two divisions of the League. He announced that he would gladly present a trophy for the second division.

It was decided that this be made known, and that Clubs be given a fortnight in which to send in their entries. No teams were to be admitted after the close of the date for receiving entries.

The Chairman, at the close of the business, moved, that a hearty vote of thanks be passed to the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer for his excellent work. The other officers, he said, were the ornaments of the Club, and all the work devolved upon Mr. Vireash. He hoped that Mr. Vireash would be spared to return to them with many honours on his breast to take up again the position he was now vacating. (Applause.)

THE TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

The following games were played in the tournament yesterday:—

CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.
H. J. Verry beat Wan Yik Shung, 6-4, 6-2, 6-3.

HANDICAP SINGLES "A."
A. A. Chalkin (rec. 3-0) beat H. A. Nisbet (ove 00), 6-2, 9-7. Nisbet played a hard game against large odds and an excellent player.

PROFESSIONAL PAIRS.
Lieut. Colonel Crisp and Lieut. Hamilton beat W. G. Worcester and A. L. Doubligin, 6-1, 6-2.

TO-MORROW'S MATCHES.

The following matches have been arranged to take place to-morrow:—

PROFESSIONAL PAIRS.
Morrison and Hodge v. Brayshaw and Redmond, 3.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, 4.30 p.m.
Thursfield and Murphy v. Crisp and Hamilton.

CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.
Cooper Hunt v. Yvanovich, 4.30 p.m.

HANDICAP SINGLES "A."
A. H. Cook (rec. 15/1) v. Abraham (ove 0/0), 4 p.m.

HANDICAP SINGLES "B."
Muriel v. Winner of Malby v. Austin, 4 p.m.

HANDICAP DOUBLES.
R. O. Hutchison and P. P. J. Wodehouse (rec. 15/1) v. R. P. Thursfield and P. S. Leigh Bennett (rec. 26/1), 4.30 p.m.

Murphy and Sandford (rec. 1/5), Stark and Whitmarsh (ove 1/5), 3.30 p.m.

MIXED DOUBLES.
L. O. R. Hamilton and Mrs. Lewis (ove 15/1) v. Mr. and Mrs. Nisbet (ove 30/1), 4.30 p.m.

8 H. Dodwell and Miss Wilkinson (ove 4/8) v. Capt. and Mrs. Hammond (ove 2/5), 4 p.m.

THE LOSS OF THE "DAIJIN MARU."

ABOITIVE SEARCH FOR THE WRECK.

The Captain of the "Sakigake-maru," which arrived at Moji from Hongkong on the 8th, reported that he proceeded to the spot where the S.S. "Daitani-maru" is believed to have sunk on

THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

FIERCE ENGAGEMENTS ON RUSSIAN FRONT.

FIGHTING GENERAL ALONG THE WHOLE FRONT.

NOTABLE RUSSIAN SUCCESSES.

PETROGRAD, Mar. 23.

A communiqué says: Fighting is general along the whole front.

The Russians captured two woods and a village in the Jacobstadt sector and a line of trenches south of Dyneburg.

A particularly desperate engagement is in progress north of Pustaya, half way between Dyneburg and Vilna. Enemy counter-attacks with the object of recapturing lost trenches failed.

The Russians are gaining the upper hand in the battle on the southwestern shore of Lake Narocz, north-east of Vilna, where they forced three lines of entanglements and trenches by a series of fierce attacks, notwithstanding the German use of gas, and captured over 1,000 prisoners, twelve machine-guns and other materials.

The Russians, using gas, effectively checked attempted counter-attacks.

RUSSIANS OCCUPY ISPAHAN.

PETROGRAD, Mar. 23.

A communiqué states that a fight preceded the Russian occupation of Isfahan (Persia).

The inhabitants, exhausted by the Russo-German looting, welcomed the Russians with enthusiasm.

The Government-General and the authorities had previously joined the Russians and recaptured the city with them.

GERMAN PIRACY OF NEUTRAL SHIPS.

APPREHENSIONS IN HOLLAND.

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 22.

It is announced that the departure for Netherlands India of the liner Konink der Nederlanden, which was scheduled for March 25th, has been provisionally postponed.

A LIGHTSHIP TORPEDOED.

LONDON, Mar. 23.

Lloyd's states that the Gallier lightship is reported to have been torpedoed and sunk.

A steamer which has arrived here reports that it found only the masts of the Gallier lightship above the surface.

A BYE-ELECTION.

NOTABLE MESSAGES TO THE CANDIDATES.

LONDON, Mar. 22.

Mr. Asquith in a message to Mr. Harris, the Coalition candidate at Harborough, says, "I trust you will demonstrate the true unity of the nation which is our greatest strength in prosecuting the war."

Sir Edward Carson in a letter to Mr. Gibson Bowles (the other candidate) pays a tribute to his services in saving the country from the "disastrous results of the Declaration of London."

"I am a supporter of the Coalition," Sir Edward Carson wrote, "and every opportunity ought to be taken to strengthen its hands by the election to the House of Commons of men whose criticism will help to solve the many great international problems."

COMPULSION FOR MARRIED MEN.

LONDON, Mar. 22.

The Liberal War Committee has passed a resolution in favour of extending compulsion to the married men.

FIGHTING WEST OF THE MEUSE.

SEVERAL ENEMY ATTACKS.

PARIS, Mar. 23.

To-day's communiqué says: West of the Meuse after an all-day bombardment the Germans made several attacks on our front from Avocourt wood to Malancourt village.

All enemy attempts to debouch from Avocourt wood were stopped by our artillery and infantry fire.

East of the Meuse, there has been an intense bombardment in the Domancourt-Vaux region.

French artillery bombarded enemy works in Belgium, north of the Aisne and in Argonne.

MINOR OPERATIONS ON BRITISH FRONT.

LONDON, Mar. 23.

A communiqué states: Last night the enemy exploded two mines, but caused no casualties.

There was some hand-grenade fighting in mine entries north-east of Vermelles, without changing the situation.

To-day our guns and trench mortars, successfully bombarded the enemy's position south-west of Westmancourt.

THE MEXICAN REVOLUTION.

SUPPORT FOR VILLA.

COLUMBUS (New Mexico), Mar. 23.

It is reported that General Herrera has revolted against General Carranza and taken the field in Western Chihuahua with 2,000 troops in favour of General Villa.

DISTINGUISHED INDIANS AND THE ORDER OF ST. JOHN.

LONDON, Mar. 22.

The King has sanctioned additions to the lists of Donators of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem. The additions include the names of the Marquis of Blandford and Sir Patrick Smith.

His Majesty is Head of the Order, and Membership is confined to persons professing the Christian faith. Donations and subscriptions to the funds of the Order do not constitute a qualification for membership and thus the general Indian supporters of the great work of the Order are designated "Donors."

THE BRITISH BUDGET.

LONDON, Mar. 23.

The Budget will probably be introduced in the second week in April. The date is not yet fixed.

THE NEW GOVERNOR OF CEYLON.

LONDON, Mar. 22.

Sir John Anderson has had an audience of the King and kissed hands on his appointment as Governor of Ceylon.

DISTINGUISHED INVALIDS.

LONDON, Mar. 22.

Lord Curzon is making good progress.

Lord Scarsdale (Lord Curzon's father) is seriously ill.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

ZEEBRUGGE A HUGE SCRAP-HEAP.

RESULT OF ALLIED AIR-RAID.

LONDON, March 23.

A telegram from Rotterdam states that the only things at Zeebrugge to escape the Allied air bombs were two submarines which were submerged in dock. Three torpedo boats fled to the sea and manœuvred in the minefield, but the airmen forced them further out, only to be chased by British destroyers. Zeebrugge is now a huge scrap-heap.

LATER.

Numerous wounded marines have arrived at Bruges from Zeebrugge. Some patrol boats as well as destroyers fled from Zeebrugge to avoid bombardment. A German submarine was seen to be hugging the Dutch coast, and later a destroyer towed another into Zeebrugge.

LIVELY ARTILLERY DUEL WEST OF THE MEUSE.

PARIS, March 22.

A communiqué states: West of the Meuse there has been a most lively artillery duel at Malancourt, Imes and Hill 304. It was particularly violent at Haucourt Hill, while east of the Meuse, the bombardment was intense at Vaux and Dambloup. There has been no infantry action.

MESOPOTAMIA DIFFICULTIES.

THE BREAKDOWN IN HOSPITAL ARRANGEMENTS.

LONDON, March 23.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Chamberlain, Minister Secretary of State for India, expressed gratitude for and paid a tribute to the bravery and endurance of the Indian and British troops in Mesopotamia. He said he considered that the transfer of the control of operations to the Imperial Government was already advantageous. He admitted the lamentable breakdown of the hospital arrangements, and thought it was inexcusable. The shortage of medical supplies was largely due to the enormous difficulties of river navigation. The Government sought everywhere for shallow-draught vessels some of which were lost at sea. Neither the Imperial Government nor the Raj were satisfied but he hoped that the measures taken had already effected an improvement.

Mr. Hobhouse referred to Mr. Chamberlain's "strong words," and expressed the hope that the responsibility for the breakdown would be placed on the proper shoulders.

Mr. Chamberlain, in reply, begged the House to keep the matter open until the facts were officially known regarding the breakdown and the responsibility.

KING INSPECTS MOTOR AMBULANCES.

LONDON, March 23.

The King, at Buckingham Palace, inspected twenty motor ambulances out of the fifty, which the Cinema-Trade Association are presenting to the Red Cross Society and the Order of St. John for use in Mesopotamia.

INVALIDED INDIAN OFFICERS.

QUESTION OF RATES OF PAY.

LONDON, March 23.

In the House of Commons, Mr. MacNeill suggested that it was a great injustice that British officers from India who were invalided to England should receive Indian rates of pay only for three months.

Mr. Forster said that the decision to that effect was a concession which was made after full consultation with the Raj.

GENERAL CADORNA IN LONDON.

LONDON, March 23.

General Cadorna, the Italian Generalissimo, has arrived in London. He was welcomed by Lord Kitchener, Viscount French of Ypres and others. General Cadorna was given an ovation by large crowds, which included many Italians. He will be received by His Majesty the King.

GERMANY'S NAVAL POLICY.

TO PREVENT ALL TRADE.

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 23.

It is reported that Herr Balle has declared that Germany's policy is to prevent all trade between the United Kingdom and European countries, neutral or not.

THE "TUBANTIA" OUTRAGE.

THE HAGUE, March 23.

An official announcement states that Dutch representations to Berlin regarding the Tubantia outrage were forestalled by a declaration by the German Minister at The Hague.

POSITION OF MARRIED MEN.

RESERVED OCCUPATIONS REDUCED.

LONDON, March 22.

On the Army Vote, the position of the married men was given further attention.

Mr. Walter Long stated that the reserved occupations have been largely reduced and it has been decided that men below certain ages, varying from 25 to 35, in different trades, must be released. Also, a greater demand would be put upon the available numbers.

The provisions of the Service Act for the avoidance of industrial compulsion are leaving too wide gaps, and a remedy is being considered.

CENTRAL TRIBUNAL.

LONDON, March 23.

Lord Sydenham and Sir R. W. Carlyle have been made members of the Central Tribunal.

RUB IT IN.

A GOOD many people think rheumatism can not be cured without taking numerous medicines. Chamberlain's Pain Balm, massaged thoroughly into the skin has cured far more rheumatism than any internal remedy in existence and gives relief quicker. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

TRADE COMPETITION AFTER THE WAR.

SAFEGUARDING IMPORTANT INDUSTRIES.

LONDON, Mar. 22.

Mr. Buxton, President of the Board of Trade, is appointing small committees to consider measures for safe-guarding the position of important British industries after the war in relation to international competition.

Two have already been appointed, (1) for iron, steel and engineering, with Sir Clarendon Hyde as Chairman, Mr. Balfour being one of the members; and (2) for shipping and ship-building, with Sir J. Booth as Chairman. The arrangements for the textile industry will be announced shortly.

THE MEXICAN REVOLUTION.

TWO AMERICAN AEROPLANES POSSIBLY LOST.

COLUMBUS, Mar. 23.

There is no news of the American expedition against Villa, owing to the failure of the wireless, and the cutting of the telegraphs.

Two aeroplanes which were accompanying the expedition have not arrived, and they have possibly been lost in the desert.

MYSTERIOUS TEXAS FIRE.

LONDON, March 23.

A mysterious fire at Paris (Texas) caused damage to the extent of \$3,000,000.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HONGKONG AUXILIARY.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society was held in the City Hall last night. The Bishop of Victoria presided. An address was given by the Rev. W. W. Lyon, M.A., National M.C.A. Secretary for China, and among others present was the Hon. Mr. Chand Severn, Colonial Secretary.

The annual report by the Rev. T. W. Pearce, Secretary of the local auxiliary, was printed in the "China Mail" a few days ago.

The Chairman, in an address, said that the Bible suited all races of the world and all ages. They might have observed the wonderful help which the Bible had been to the men who were fighting our battles. His Lordship recalled the words of the late Lord Roberts when he urged the men who were fighting to look for spiritual help from the Bible, and went on to say that the Bible was, and could be, a great peace-maker. In all their hearts, he said, there was an intense longing for peace. They did not want an unrighteous peace, or a peace that would be only temporary; but he wished to say that there must be, in every heart, an intense longing for peace, and that when a peace, a permanent peace, came, it must be based upon the lines laid down by the Bible. His Lordship remarked that even in Germany the Society had many supporters, and they found that last year the Kaiser himself subscribed £5 to the funds of the Society; though that might not be any great recommendation for the Society. However, from another point of view it was interesting to note that there were many Germans who loved their Bible as we did. In this connection the Bishop read an extract from a speech by the Bishop of Chota Nagpur, deprecating the charges which had been made against German missionaries in India; charges of undermining the youth of the country, of espionage and exploiting Christian workers in behalf of the evil designs of the Kaiser. These charges, the Bishop of Chota Nagpur said, were absolutely groundless, and must have been made by Englishmen who knew absolutely nothing at all of what they were speaking.

The Rev. D. W. Lyon made a strong appeal on behalf of the Society. He dwelt upon the extensive work which was performed by it, and the many volumes and many tongues in which the Bible was published by the Society with the direct object of spreading the word. The Society was commenced in troubled times, and it had grasped the present opportunity for expansion. No less a number than 3,000,000 volumes of the scriptures had been distributed among the soldiers who were fighting and those who were in hospital. The war had not been a hindrance to the Society's work, but had been used for opening up a new sphere of operations. Referring to the work of the Society in China, the speaker said that the circulation of the Bible in China was one fourth of the whole circulation of the Society in the whole world. Last year 10,000,000 copies of the scriptures were circulated, and 2,500,000 of these were distributed in China. The speaker mentioned that the subscriptions from China during the past four years averaged \$4,800. Last year they amounted to \$6,000, and of this amount Hongkong sent \$2,000, or 400 above the average.

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CHINESE AFFAIRS.

(Wuh Tsz Yat-Po's Service.)

THE REVOLT IN CHINA.

A REQUEST FOR CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES.

PEKING, Mar. 24.

Lei Yuen Hung, Chu Sai Cheung and Tun Ki Shui have telegraphically requested Luk Wing Tung, Leung Kai Chia, Tong Kai Yiu and Tsai Ngok to cease hostilities and negotiate a settlement.

A Mandate appoints Tun Ki Shui, Chief of the General Staff.

AMERICA AND THE OPEN DOOR IN CHINA.

RESOLUTION OF PROTEST AGAINST NEW JAPANESE DEMANDS.

WASHINGTON, January 23.

Senator Sherman today introduced the following resolution on the "Open Door in China" which on his request was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations: "Whereas Japan has renewed its demands upon China by presenting certain requests which are similar to those presented about one year ago, such requests being of that character that may result in the exercise by Japan of sovereignty over and in the territory of the Chinese Empire; and it may be an assumption of Empire to the detriment of the rights and including certain powers embraced in such demands as will result in the sole right to Japan of trade, navigation, and commerce, which will close a portion of the Chinese territory and some of the Chinese ports to other nations; and whereas since 1899 the United States of America has proclaimed, and jointly with certain European Powers has established what is known as the 'Open Door Policy' in China, through which the means and by which some of such Powers so frequently of declaring of such open-door policy are now at work; and whereas such open-door policy in China is designed to protect the commercial rights of American citizens as well as the citizens of subjects of the Governments of Europe, all of which are threatened to be impaired or destroyed by the demands made by the Government of Japan upon China, or the equal treatment of such citizens or subjects may be thereby impaired or destroyed; Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate that the open door in China as heretofore declared, interpreted, and applied in behalf of the citizens of this country as well as the citizens or subjects of other countries so concerned is a necessary and vital element in the foreign policy of the United States; that the Senate joins with profound concern upon such demands which regard such pressure upon China in the time upon such demands, if granted, as a restriction upon the commercial rights of the people of the United States and their Government, and to be in violation of the as set of the Japanese Imperial Government expressed December 26, 1899; and be it further

Resolved, That the Executive, through its Department of State, be, and is hereby requested, to communicate through proper diplomatic channels the protest of the Senate and its declaration that it can not look with indifference upon the threatened abridgement of the rights of the American people and the European concerned to an equality of treatment in trade, navigation, and commerce in China.

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Hongkong, March 24, 1916.

NOTICE.

THE Public is hereby warned that the Master and Owners of the s.s. "SEWARD" will not be responsible for debts incurred by the crew.

J. JOHNSON, Master.

Hongkong, March 24, 1916.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-NINTH FIFTEEN YEARLY DRAWING OF SIXTY FIVE DEBENTURES of the Hongkong Club (1896 issue—\$100 each) will be held in the Club House on FRIDAY, the 24th March, 1916, when the following Debentures were drawn for Redemption:—

23	371	936	1248	1820
67	491	946	1250	1848
94	530	953	1263	1874
111	589	992	1283	1891
144	592	997	1311	1776
185	609	1042	1354	1789
200	700	1046	1360	1830
269	709	1107	1373	1836
282	750	1125	1413	1840
291	788	1141	1433	1849
315	833	1114	1504	1933
342	808	1222	1564	1941
348	809	1235	1615	1993

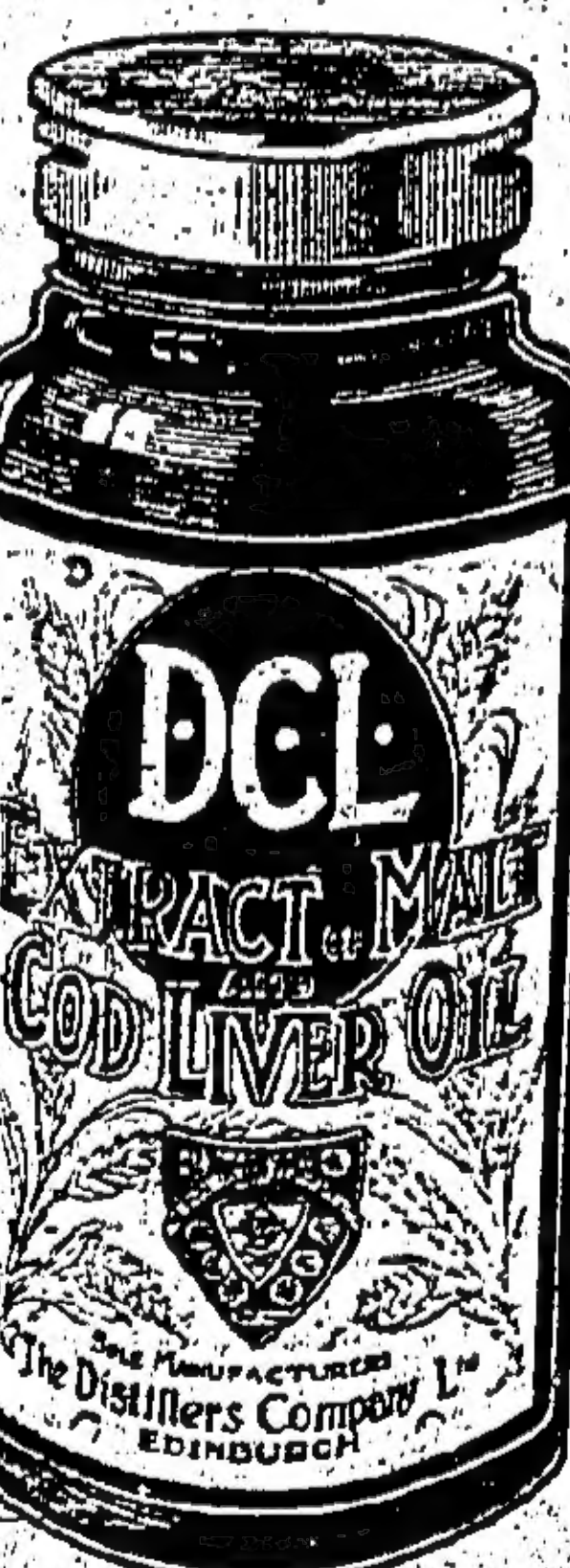
and will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on FRIDAY, the 31st March, 1916, in exchange for surrender of same.

By Order,
E. DES VUEX,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 24, 1916.

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